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Friday, 15 November 2002

General Assembly

Fifty-seventh session

10 a.m. . . . . 51st plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

Assistance in mine action: report of the Secretary-General (A/57/430) . . . . . [28]

Main Committees

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 23rd meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

1. United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East [76]

   Action on draft resolutions (A/C.4/57/L.9, A/C.4/57/L.10, A/C.4/57/L.11, A/C.4/57/L.12, A/C.4/57/L.13, A/C.4/57/L.14 and A/C.4/57/L.15)

2. Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories . . . [77]

   Action on draft resolutions (A/C.4/57/L.16, A/C.4/57/L.17, A/C.4/57/L.18, A/C.4/57/L.19/Rev.1 and A/C.4/57/L.20)

Second Committee

10 a.m. . . . . 36th meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

1. Macroeconomic policy questions: international trade and development . . . . . [84 (a)]

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/57/L.37

2. Environment and sustainable development: protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind (A/57/359) . . . . . [87 (c)]

   Conclusion of the general discussion

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3. Sustainable development and international economic cooperation (A/57/188 and A/C.2/57/7) [86]

Introduction and general discussion

Morning[1]–1 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 6

Informal consulations under the chairmanship of Mr. Abdellah Benmellouk (Morocco),Vice-Chairman of the Committee, on draft resolution A/C.2/57/L.7 (item 84 (c))

Informal consulations under the chairmanship of Mr. Bruno van der Pluijm (Belgium), Vice-Chairman of the Committee, on draft resolutions A/C.2/57/L.9 (item 85 (c)) and A/C.2/57/L.35 (item 90 (b))

[1] Following the adjournment of the 36th meeting of the Second Committee.

Third Committee

10 a.m. 50th meeting Conference Room 1

1. Human rights questions [109]

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms

Introduction of draft resolutions A/C.3/57/L.53, A/C.3/57/L.56, A/C.3/57/L.57, A/C.3/57/L.58, A/C.3/57/L.59, A/C.3/57/L.60, A/C.3/57/L.61, A/C.3/57/L.67, A/C.3/57/L.68 and A/C.3/57/L.69

2. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions Relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions (A/56/3, A/57/12 and A/57/12/Add.1, A/57/203, A/57/324 and A/57/583) [104]

Continuation of general discussion.

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1. Advancement of women [102]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/57/L.16/Rev.1

2. Promotion and protection of the rights of children [105]

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3. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions Relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions (A/56/3, A/57/12 and A/57/12/Add.1, A/57/203, A/57/324 and A/57/583) [104]

Continuation and conclusion of general discussion

Fifth Committee

9.30 a.m.–12.30 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 120 (United Nations common system (A/57/30, A/57/612 and A/C.5/57/16))

2.30–4.30 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 122 (Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services: Annual report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services (A/57/451))

United Nations Administrative Tribunal

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting . . . . . Room DC2-461

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting . . . . . Room DC2-461

General Assembly

Fifty-seventh session

Informal consultations of interested delegations on the draft resolution under agenda item 22 (q) (Cooperation between the United Nations and the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization) (organized by the delegation of Romania)

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

Second Committee

Meeting of interested delegations on draft proposals A/C.2/57/L.19 (item 87 (f)) (Promoting an integrated management approach to the Caribbean Sea area in the context of sustainable development) and A/C.2/57/L.20 (item 87 (f)) (Further implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C

Meeting of interested delegations on draft proposal A/C.2/57/L.12 (item 86 (a)) (Implementation of the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of the Economic Growth and Development of Developing Countries and Implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade)

11 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7

Meeting of interested delegations on draft proposals A/C.2/57/L.16 (item 87 (b)) (International cooperation to reduce the impact of the El Niño phenomenon) and A/C.2/57/L.21 (item 87 (b)) (International strategy for disaster reduction)

1.15–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C

Meeting of interested delegations on draft proposal A/C.2/57/L.18 (item 87 (e)) (Convention on Biological Diversity)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C

Meeting of interested delegations on draft proposal A/C.2/57/L.31 (item 96) (Third United Nations Conference on Least Developed Countries)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber

Meeting of interested delegations on draft proposals A/C.2/57/L.15 (item 86 (d)) (High-level dialogue on strengthening international Economic cooperation for development through partnership) and A/C.2/57/L.28 (item 92) (Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic and social fields)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 6

Economic and Social Council

United Nations Development Programme

10a.m.–12 noon. Closed meeting Conference Room 8

First informal consultation on the United Nations Development Programme *Human Development Report 2003* [Interested delegations are invited to attend.]

Other meetings

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Friday, 15 November 2002

JUSCANZ Group *(Second Committee)*

9–10 a.m. Closed meeting Conference Room D

JUSCANZ Group *(Third Committee)*

9–10 a.m. Closed meeting Conference Room C

Group of 77 *(Second Committee: on financing for development)*

9–10 a.m.. Closed meeting Conference Room 4

Group of 77 *(Second Committee: on climate change; and A/C.2/57/L.20, A/C.2/57/L.19, A/C.2/57/L.10 and A/C.2/57/L.14)*

10–1 p.m.. Closed meeting Conference Room 4

3–6 p.m.. Closed meeting Conference Room 4

Group of 77 *(Third Committee: on racism)*

Morning[1]–2.45 p.m.. Closed meeting Conference Room 1

Group of 77 *(Fifth Committee matters)*

1–2 p.m.. Closed meeting Conference Room 5

[1] Following the adjournment of the 50th meeting of the Third Committee.

UNITAR workshop series on Policy Awareness and Training in Information Technology

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber

Third and final high-level seminar of this year on "Policy Awareness and Security Issues on Information Technology", organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), as part of the series on Policy Awareness and Training in Information Technology [This interactive seminar is primarily aimed at ambassadors and other diplomats. However, all interested staff members as well as NGO representatives are welcome to attend. This seminar is part of the UNITAR series, launched under the auspices of the ICT Task Force and the Working Group on Informatics, and implemented with the active participation and sponsorship of Intel Corporation. For further information please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).]

African Group of the Whole

11 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

Meeting on the draft resolution on the cooperation between the United Nations and the Southern Africa Development Community (SADC) (organized by the delegation of Angola on behalf of SADC)

11 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

Caribbean Community (CARICOM)

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

Informal briefing on issues relevant to the Council of Europe

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 8

Informal briefing by Ms. Jane Dinsdale, Director in the Directorate General of Human Rights of the Council of Europe, on issues relevant to the Council of Europe

Meetings on Third Committee matters:

Meeting of the co-sponsors of the draft resolution on indigenous peoples and issues (organized by the delegation of Suriname)

1.30–2.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 6

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on the rights of the child (agenda item 105) (organized by the delegation of Uruguay)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

Islamic Group *(Third Committee) (at the expert level) (Informal consultations on extra-judicial, summary and arbitrary executions)*

2–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7

Meeting on the international assistance for the economic rehabilitation of Angola (organized by the delegation of Angola)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 8

Open-ended informal consultations on racism (organized by the Group of 77 and China)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on assistance for humanitarian relief, rehabilitation and development for Timor-Leste (agenda item 21 (b)) (organized by the delegation of Brazil)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm.

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Room S-226

Guest noon . . . . . Mr. Hans Blix, Executive Chairman, United Nations Monitoring, Verification, and Inspection Commission (UNMOVIC)

Forthcoming official meetings

Monday, 18 November 2002

General Assembly

Fifty-seventh session

Open-ended panel of the General Assembly on "Afghanistan: one year later"

First session on political issues

9 a.m.–11 a.m. . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

Chair: H.E. Mr. Jan Kavan
President of the General Assembly

Moderator: Mr. Kieran Prendergast
Under-Secretary-General for Political Affairs

Panelists: H.E. Mr. Amin Farhang
Member of the Afghan Transitional Government, Minister of Reconstruction

Mr. Jean Arnaud
Deputy Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Afghanistan

Mr. Ahmed Rashid
Journalist

Mr. Barnett Rubin
Director of Studies at the New York University Center on International Cooperation

Second session on economic issues

11 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

Chair:	H.E. Mr. Jan Kavan President of the General Assembly
Moderator:	Mr. David Malone International Peace Academy, President
Panelists:	Ms. Julia Taft Assistant Administrator and Director of the Bureau for Crisis Prevention and Recovery, UNDP
	Mr. Eric Morris Director of the New York Liaison Office, UNHCR
	Mr. Bernard Frahi Representative of the Office on Drugs and Crime
	Mr. Mukesh Kapila Former special adviser to the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Afghanistan
Discussants:	H.E. Mr. Amin Farhang Member of the Afghan Transitional Government, Minister of Reconstruction
	Mr. Ishaq Naderi Professor at New York University; Senior economic adviser of President Hamid Karzai; participated at the Bonn Conference as an adviser

Accredited non-governmental organizations and media are invited to attend both sessions.

Main Committees

Second Committee

10 a.m. . . . . 37th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

Morning[1] . . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 6

3 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 6

[1] Following the adjournment of the 37th meeting of the Second Committee.

Third Committee

10 a.m.	52nd meeting	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.	53rd meeting	Conference Room 1

Fifth Committee

9.30 a.m.–12.30 p.m.	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
2.30–4.30 p.m.	26th meeting	Conference Room 3

General Assembly

Fifty-seventh session

Informal consultations on agenda item 21 (Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance)

Informal consultations on draft proposals under agenda item 21, chaired by H.E. Mr. Hubert Wurth (Luxembourg), will be held on Tuesday, 19 November 2002, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 9. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

Economic and Social Council

Technical Subgroup of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics

The next meeting of the Technical Subgroup of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will take place on Wednesday, 4 December 2002, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 9, under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Bob Jalang'o (Kenya).

Other forthcoming meetings

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Group of 77 ***(Third Committee: on racism)***

There will be meetings of the Group of 77 *(Third Committee: on racism)* on Monday, 18 November 2002, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber, and on Tuesday, 19 November, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

Briefing for all European missions on the outcome and decisions of the Sixth European Red Cross and Red Crescent Conference held in Berlin

In the context of the fifty-seventh session of the General Assembly, and in particular of the discussions in the Second and Third Committees, the Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Germany to the United Nations and the Observer Mission of the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies to the United Nations are jointly organizing a briefing for all European missions on the outcome and decisions of the Sixth European Red Cross and Red Crescent Conference held in Berlin. The briefing will be held on Monday, 18 November 2002, from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in *Conference Room 7*. Ms. Heike Spieker, Senior Official and Director of the International Humanitarian Law Department, German Red Cross, and experts from the International Federation Headquarters in Geneva, will be among the speakers. Representatives of all European Missions are invited to attend. Relevant United Nations agencies will also be present. For further information, please contact Mr. Axel Kuchle, Permanent Mission of Germany (tel. 1 (212) 940-0441); or Mr. Preben Marcussen, Permanent Observer Mission of the International Federation of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (tel. 1 (212) 338-0161).

Meeting of interested delegations on the draft resolution on the cooperation between the United Nations and the Economic Community of Central African States (agenda item 22 (e)) (organized by the delegation of the Republic of the Congo, on behalf of the Economic Community of Central African States)

There will be a meeting of interested delegations on the draft resolution on the cooperation between the United Nations and the Economic Community of Central African States (agenda item 22 (e)), organized by the delegation of the Republic of the Congo, on behalf Economic Community of Central African States), on Monday, 18 November 2002, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

Open-ended informal consultations on racism (organized by the Group of 77 and China)

There will open-ended informal consultations on racism (organized by the Group of 77 and China) on Monday, 18 November 2002, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C, and on Tuesday, 19 November, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

UNITAR Briefing on the Security Council for members of the Council

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing a briefing on the Security Council for members of the Council. The briefing is intended primarily for representatives of those States that will be members of the Council in 2003. Depending on the availability of seats, delegates from other States may attend as observers. The briefing will be held on the following dates : Monday, 18 November, from 3 to 6 p.m.; Tuesday, 19 November, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 20 November, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m.; and Thursday, 21 November 2002, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

Group of Interested States in Practical Disarmament Measures

There will be a meeting of the Group of Interested States in Practical Disarmament Measures, in pursuance of General Assembly resolution 56/24 P (Consolidation of Peace through Practical Disarmament Measures) on Tuesday, 19 November 2002, at 10 a.m. (conference room to be announced). The meeting is open to all interested delegations.

Arab Group of the Whole

There will be a meeting of the Arab Group of the Whole *(at the ambassadorial level)* on Wednesday, 20 November 2002, at 11 a.m. in Conference Rooom 4.

Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization

There will be a meeting of the Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization on Wednesday, 20 November 2002, at 10 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. All delegations are invited to attend.

UNITAR Workshop on the effective management of meetings

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing a workshop on the effective management of meetings. This workshop, to be conducted in English, will be held on Tuesday, 3 December 2002, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

A letter on this subject, including a detailed information note, an outline of activities and a nomination form, was addressed to all permanent missions in New York. The registration deadline is Wednesday, 27 November. For further information, please contact Ms. Nicole Valenta at UNITAR (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963 9684 or 963-9196).

Announcements

Preparations for the forty-seventh session of the Commission on the Status of Women

In preparation for the forty-seventh session of the Commission on the Status of Women (3-14 March 2003), delegations are kindly invited to propose names of expert panellists to participate in two panel discussions on the following thematic issues that will be taken up by the Commission: (a) Participation and access of women to the media, and information and communication technologies and their impact on and use as an instrument for the advancement and empowerment of women; (b) Women's human rights and elimination of all forms of violence against women and girls as defined in the Beijing Platform for Action and the outcome documents of the General Assembly entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century". Delegations are kindly requested to submit names and curricula vitae to the Division for the Advancement of Women (room DC2-1244), no later than Monday, 2 December 2002, indicating the panel for which the expert(s) is (are) being nominated.

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Commemoration of the 20th Anniversary of the opening for signature of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (United Nations Headquarters) (9 December 2002)

Deposit of charts and/or lists of geographical coordinates with the Secretary-General

It will be possible for States Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea that may wish to do so, to deposit charts and/or lists of geographical coordinates with the Secretary-General on Monday, 9 December 2002, at 9 a.m., in the West Foyer, adjacent to the General Assembly Hall at United Nations Headquarters. A note verbale or a letter by the Permanent Representative to the United Nations or other person considered as representing the State Party, addressed to the Secretary-General, should be submitted together with the charts or lists of geographical coordinates of points, indicating under which article of the Convention the deposit is being effected. It is recalled that charts or lists of geographical coordinates of points concerning straight or archipelagic baselines as well as the outer limits of their maritime zones are deposited under article 16, paragraph 2, article 47, paragraph 9, article 75, paragraph 2, and article 84, paragraph 2, of the Convention.

Deadline for the nomination of candidates for election as permanent judges of the International Tribunal for Rwanda

Member States and non-Member States maintaining permanent observer missions at United Nations Headquarters are reminded that, pursuant to the decision taken by the Security Council at its 4621st meeting on 11 October 2002, the deadline for the nomination of candidates for election as permanent judges of the International Tribunal for Rwanda is *today*, 15 November 2002. Any nominations that they may wish to make should be communicated to the Legal Counsel (room S-3427A) before the close of business of that day.

Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Friday, 1 November 2002, and for the rest of the month, the President of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Credentials of representatives to the fifty-seventh session

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the fifty-seventh session of the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly.

Credentials should be sent to the secretariat of the Credentials Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5358; room S-3420A).

Summary of meetings

Thursday, 14 November 2002

Security Council

4646th meeting

The situation in Timor-Leste

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Mission of Support in Timor-Leste (S/2002/1223)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Australia, Chile, Denmark, Fiji, India, Indonesia, Japan, New Zealand, Portugal, the Republic of Korea, Thailand, Timor-Leste and Ukraine, at their request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Kamalesh Sharma, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Timor-Leste.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard the introduction of the report by Mr. Sharma.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Bulgaria, Cameroon, the Russian Federation, the United Kingdom, the United States, the Syrian Arab Republic, Mauritius, France, Guinea, Mexico, Norway, Singapore, Ireland and Colombia, and by the President, in his capacity as the representative of China.

Statements were made by the representatives of Timor-Leste, Fiji (on behalf of the Pacific Islands Forum Group (Australia, Fiji, Marshall Islands, Federal States of Micronesia, Nauru, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu, Kiribati and Palau)), Chile, New Zealand, Denmark (on behalf of the European Union, the countries of Central and Eastern Europe associated with the European Union (Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia); the associated countries, Cyprus and Malta, and the EFTA country belonging to the European Economic Area, Iceland, which aligned themselves with the statement) and Indonesia.

The meeting was suspended.

Upon resumption of the meeting, the Council heard statements by the representatives of the Republic of Korea, Ukraine, Japan, Portugal, Australia, Thailand and India.

Mr. Sharma responded to comments and questions raised.

General Assembly

Fifty-seventh session

50th plenary meeting

The situation in Central America: procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace and progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development . . . . . [38]

(a) Reports of the Secretary-General (A/57/384, A/57/584)

(b) Note by the Secretary-General (A/57/336)

(c) Draft resolution (A/57/L.20)

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of agenda item 38.

Statements were made by the representatives of Costa Rica (on behalf of the Central American Countries), Mexico, Colombia, Spain, El Salvador, Guatemala and the United States.

The General Assembly was informed that action on draft resolution A/57/L.20 would be taken at a later date.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 38.

The role of the United Nations in promoting a new global human order: draft resolution (A/57/L.10) . . . . . [30]

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/57/L.10 (resolution 57/12).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration agenda item 30.

South American Zone of Peace and Cooperation: draft resolution (A/57/L.7). . . [167]

The representative of Peru made a statement, in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/57/L.7.

Statements were made by the representatives of Ecuador, Brazil, Argentina, Guyana, Chile, Uruguay and Colombia.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/57/L.7 (resolution 57/13).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 167.

Main Committees

Second Committee

34th meeting

High-level international intergovernmental consideration of financing for development [93]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/57/L.36

The representative of Venezuela introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

The representative of the United States made a statement.

The representative of Venezuela (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) made a statement.

The Chairman made a statement.

Addresses

The Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme and the Executive Secretary of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) addressed the Committee.

Environment and sustainable development . . . . . [87]

(a) Implementation of Agenda 21 and the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21

The Committee resumed its general consideration of the item and heard statements by the representatives of Belize (on behalf of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM)), Canada, New Zealand, Mongolia, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the United States, Kenya, the Republic of Korea, Brazil, Zambia, Nepal and Egypt.

35th meeting

Permanent sovereignty of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including Jerusalem, and of the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan over their natural resources . . . . . [91]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.2/57/L.34

The Committee was informed that Brunei Darussalam and Pakistan had subsequently joined in co-sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee was informed that no consensus had been reached during informal consultations held on the draft resolution, and that a recorded vote was requested by the representative of Israel.

A statement in explanation of vote before the vote was made by the representative of Israel.

The Committee then proceeded to a recorded vote on the draft resolution.

Draft resolution A/C.2/57/L.34 was then adopted by a recorded vote of 124 to 4, with 2 abstentions.

Statements in explanation of vote after the vote were made by the representatives of Denmark (on behalf of the European Union and also Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Iceland, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Norway, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia and Turkey) and Japan.

The representatives of the Syrian Arab Republic and Israel made general statements.

The observer for Palestine also made a statement.

The representatives of Azerbaijan, Sri Lanka, Uganda and Colombia made statements regarding their vote.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of the item.

Environment and sustainable development . . . . . [87]

(a) Implementation of Agenda 21 and the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21

The Committee resumed its general consideration of the item and heard statements by Israel, Ukraine, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Tunisia, Kuwait and Sri Lanka.

The representatives of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, the International Union for the Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources and the United Nations Development Programme also made statements.

The Committee thus concluded its general consideration of the item.

Sectoral policy questions . . . . . [85]

(b) Business and development

The Committee began its consideration of the sub-item and heard an introductory statement by the Deputy Director of the Division for Public Administration.

Statements were made by the representatives of Switzerland and Egypt.

The representative of the International Labour Organisation also made a statement.

The Committee thus concluded its general consideration of the item.

The Committee was reminded that the deadline for the submission of draft proposals under sub-item 85 (b) was Monday, 18 November at 1 p.m.

Environment and sustainable development: protection of the global climate for present and future generations of mankind . . . . . [87 (c)]

The Committee began its consideration of the sub-item and heard statements by the representatives of Venezuela (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Denmark (on behalf of the European Union, Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Iceland, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Norway, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia), Samoa (on behalf of the Alliance of Small Island States) and Switzerland.

Third Committee

49th meeting

Human rights questions . . . . . [109]

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/57/L.41

The representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as the Democratic Republic of the Congo, the Syrian Arab Republic and Viet Nam.

Eritrea, Ethiopia, Kenya, Malaysia, Sierra Leone, Somalia and Sri Lanka joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/57/L.44

The representative of Egypt introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Saudi Arabia.

The Congo, Ghana, Mauritania, Sierra Leone, Viet Nam and Zimbabwe joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/57/L.45

The representative of Suriname introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document.

Bangladesh, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ecuador, Ethiopia, Ghana, Mali, Nigeria and Sierra Leone joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/57/L.46

The representative of Azerbaijan introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Burundi, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ethiopia and Yugoslavia.

Mauritania and the Sudan joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/57/L.47

The representative of Ireland introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document.

Burkina Faso, Eritrea, Kenya, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, Turkey, the United Republic of Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/57/L.51

The representative of Norway introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Brazil and The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.

Andorra, France and Panama joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/57/L.52

The representative of Belgium introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

The Gambia, Ghana, Nigeria, the Republic of Moldova, Sierra Leone and Suriname joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/57/L.54

The representative of Australia introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as the Bosnia and Herzegovina, Denmark, Eritrea and Portugal.

Antigua and Barbuda, Colombia, the Congo, Ecuador, Gambia, Ghana, Lithuania, Madagascar, Mali, Morocco, Nigeria, Paraguay, the Republic of Moldova, Suriname and Tunisia joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/57/L.55

The representative of Cuba introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Angola, Gambia, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Jamaica and Swaziland.

Eritrea, Ghana, Malaysia, Mauritania, Nigeria and Zimbabwe joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Human rights questions: human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives . . . . . [109 (c)]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/57/L.43

The representative of Denmark introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/57/L.48

The representative of Denmark introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document as well as Lithuania.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/57/L.49

The representative of Denmark introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document.

Israel joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/57/L.50

The representative of Denmark introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document as well as Lithuania and Romania.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Amendments to the Convention on the International Maritime Organization, (institutionalization of the Facilitation Committee). London, 7 November 1991

Acceptance: Monaco (13 November 2002)[1]

International Convention against the taking of hostages. New York, 17 December 1979

Accession: Latvia (14 November 2002)[1]

Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court. Rome, 17 July 1998

Ratification: Republic of Korea (13 November 2002)[1]

International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism. New York, 9 December 1999

Ratification: Latvia (14 November 2002)[1]

Ratification: Nicaragua (14 November 2002)[1]

Amendment to the Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal. Geneva, 22 September 1995

Acceptance: Switzerland (7 November 2002)[1]

Treaty Event

Commemorating the 20th Anniversary of the opening for signature of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (United Nations Headquarters) (9 December 2002)

Deposit of instruments of ratification or accession relating to treaties deposited with the Secretary-General

The above treaty event will take place on Monday, 9 December 2002, at 9 a.m. in the West Foyer adjacent to the General Assembly Hall at United Nations Headquarters in New York. The event, which will be covered by the media, will be undertaken in a solemn setting.

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Delegations that have notified the Legal Counsel, in response to his letter of 28 August 2002, and those still intending to do so, of their intention to deposit instruments of ratification or accession relating to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 and the Agreement of 28 July 1994 relating to the implementation of Part XI of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982, are advised to contact the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs to arrange appointments (room S-3200, tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax: 1 (212) 963-3693; e-mail: untreaty.un.org).

Delegations are also requested to submit in advance copies of such instruments including, where appropriate, texts of declarations and statements to the Treaty Section at the latest by 4 December 2002 for verification.

The status of the Convention and the Agreement can be obtained from the United Nations Treaty Collection on the Internet (untreaty.un.org). Summaries of the Convention and Agreement can also be found on this Web site along with the full texts of the English and French versions thereof under the heading Focus 2002 - Sustainable Development (direct link - untreaty.un.org/English/TreatyEvent2002). The summaries also contain pertinent information relating to treaty actions. Further information concerning the requirements for the deposit of instruments of ratification and accession and the like (including model instruments) can be found in the Treaty Handbook, which is also available on the above Web site.

Other announcements

United Nations Consolidated Inter-Agency Appeals for 2003

The launch in New York, by the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs, of the United Nations Consolidated Inter-Agency Appeals for 2003 will take place on Tuesday, 19 November 2002, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 4. The theme of this year's launch is "Hope for the Future". Ms. Carolyn McAskie, Deputy Emergency Relief Coordinator, and Ms. Thoraya Obaid, Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund, as well as the Chairman of the Group of 77, will address the gathering.

Other launch events will be held on 19 and 20 November in Bern and in six other donor capitals, as well as locally in each affected country for which there is an appeal. This event will focus on the role of the international community in meeting the urgent humanitarian needs of the most vulnerable of the world's population. The countries and regions for which the humanitarian community will appeal for support in 2003 are: Afghanistan, Angola, Burundi, Chechnya and Neighbouring Republics (Russian Federation), Côte d'Ivoire (and West Africa Sub-region), Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Great Lakes Region, Guinea, Indonesia, Liberia, occupied Palestinian territory, Republic of Congo, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Southern Africa Region, Sudan, Tajikistan and Uganda.

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